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PONTOON BRIDGES
LY NHAN, NORTH VIETNAM
1900N 10535E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE CONTINUING EFFORT BY THE NORTH VIETNAMESE TO NEGATE THE EFFECTS OF AIR STRIKES AGAINST DRV TRANSPORTATION NETS.

2. REMARKS:

SINCE THE BEGINNING OF AIR STRIKES ALONG ROUTE 1A, THE NORTH VIETNAMESE HAVE CONTINUED TO BY-PASS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BRIDGES WITH PONTOON BRIDGES, FERRIES, AND FORDS, IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP THE ROUTE OPEN TO THROUGH TRAFFIC.

3. MISSION READOUT:

UE 643A/1, 16 JANUARY 1966, REVEALS TWO PONTOON BRIDGES BY-PASSING THE DESTROYED LY NHAN HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE SONG BANG 25X1 ONE SERVICEABLE PONTOON BRIDGE HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED JUST WEST OF THE DESTROYED BRIDGE. THE SECOND SERVICEABLE PONTOON BRIDGE HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED FOUR HUNDRED YARDS EAST OF THE DESTROYED BRIDGE. AND IS CONNECTED TO ROUTE 1A BY A NEW BY-PASS ROAD. TEN CARGO TRUCKS ARE OBSERVED MOVING SOUTH ON ROUTE 1A NORTH OF THE BRIDGE SITES. SEVEN CARGO TRUCKS ARE NOTED MOVING NORTH ON ROUTE 1A SOUTH OF THE BRIDGES.

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